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## Thanks Tami!

I will take a detailed look at the links you sent and get these dates on my calendar. It just seemed like we were waiting to see which Tribes applied to be coop, agencies and wasn't clear that things were moving along this fast. I like to be aware of the big issues affecting the Tribes and seeing that notification from GTC seemed to me, to come out of left field.

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Tami Fordham---01/03/2013 09:52:28 AM---Hi Mahri - I have been notified, scoping is a process that EPA submits a formal letter to the lead

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Hi Mahri - I have been notified, scoping is a process that EPA submits a formal letter to the lead Agency. I typically lead that effort for Tribal and I do not always involve the TCs in scoping as the comments are quite broad in scope and I have worked over the last several years to strengthen our tribal related comments.

Here is the Donlin EIS website - on this site you will find the schedule as well other project information. http://donlingoldeis.com/

Here is the link for the scoping notice.

http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/search/pagedetails.action?granuleId=2012-30198&packageId=FR-2012-12-14&acCode=FR

We have not heard back yet on funding from AK RE as to whether or not Mark Jen and myself will be going on the scoping meetings. Seeming as they start in a couple of weeks, we hope to find out soon.

I will get with Sally regarding expectations and TC involvement in this project. Mark has asked me to be the point person for communication as necessary with the TCs. I apologize that I did not get this information to you sooner and explain the process.

Thanks! Tami

Mahri Lowinger---01/03/2013 09:32:53 AM---http://gtcenvironmental.blogspot.com/2013/01/january-2-2013-stay-involved-and-help.html I just came

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## $\underline{http://gtcenvironmental.blogspot.com/2013/01/january-2-2013-stay-involved-and-help.html}$

I just came across Georgetown's environmental blog and see that comments are due on the EIS by March 29, 2013.

How come no one here in TTAU was notified? Will we have a briefing soon or any info. to share with Tribes? At the very least, I think the PO's should be aware of this and kept in the loop. Feels like the ball got dropped.

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